

passing. He was a graduate of Amherst College in the class of 1855. He studied at Oberlin and then embracing the Swedenborgian faith, taught at Urbana University, Urbana. Going from there to the theological school of the denomination at Cambridge, Mass., he was ordained into the ministry and held pastorate for many years at St. Louis, Peoria, Lowell, Boston, and elsewhere, and then took the duties of State Missionary of Massachusetts. He has long been a frequent contributor to the papers of his church and to the general press, being a regular correspondent of his home paper for many years.

"In 1863 he married Mary Cathcart, who died not many years later. Two of his children are living, Chas. H. Hardon, of Pomona, and Mrs. J. W. Hazeltorn of Contoocook, New Hampshire. He is also survived by an elder brother, Henry Hardon, of Providence, R. I., and sister, Miss Martha Hardon, of this city and also by a niece, Mrs. Emma Rogers, who is spending the winter here."

PROF. LEWIS JEROME JOHNSON
(See frontispiece)

Lewis J. Johnson, Professor of Civil Engineering at Harvard, is President of the Massachusetts Single Tax League, National Committeeman of the National Single Tax League, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Massachusetts Direct Legislation League, and Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. These are but a few of his many activities. As an active participant in the co-operation in engineering instruction recently established between Harvard and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he has become Professor of Civil Engineering in the latter institution also.

He was born in Milford, Mass., in 1867, graduated from Harvard in 1887, and pursued his professional studies in Switzerland and France. On returning was made Instructor in Engineering at Harvard.

Prof. Johnson is author of "Statics by Algebraic and Graphic Methods" and many papers of a scientific and professional nature. Single Taxers are more familiar with his writ-

ings on taxation included in pamphlets which have been widely distributed.

Prof. Johnson is an exceedingly forcible advocate of the Single Tax. His scientific training has contributed to a certain precision of reasoning and statement which are probably inherent intellectual traits. His experience with the pen has further reinforced these natural aptitudes for directness and conciseness, so that his exposition leaves small room for the exercise of the blue pencil.

FROM THE FIELD

JAMES F. MORTON REVIEWS HIS LECTURE WORK

The coming of Fall marks the beginning of a new season's campaign for the Single Tax. The New York State Single Tax League, as some of the readers already know, faces some unexpected difficulties this year, but has no reason for lasting discouragement. The Labor Day Conference was abandoned, by advice of many friends of the League and of the Single Tax, as inexpedient just at present, while problems of war and peace are stirring up violent emotions on all sides. Personally, I favored holding the Conference, guarding against unwise disputation by confining its attention rigorously to matters directly connected with the Single Tax and its propaganda, but it may be that the counsel which prevailed was wiser. In any case, the Conference was not given up on account of any diminution of interest, although the attendance would naturally have been somewhat lessened through the absence of those who are under special pressure of duties imposed by war conditions.

Regardless of the decision as to the Conference, an extremely energetic field campaign was planned for the coming season; and the steps already taken toward its accomplishment were meeting with gratifying response from different quarters, when the sudden loss of one of the main financial supporters of the work, and a complication of business difficulties involving a number of local Single Taxers and requiring for some time to come a very intense application of effort on the part of the chief executive